GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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PROCUREMENT OF PADDY
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has directed to Food Corporation of India (FCI) for procurement of paddy from certain State Governments;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the FCI together with Civil Supplies Corporation of these States for the procurement of paddy?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a), (b), & (c): Paddy procurement as part of Minimum Support Price operation is mostly undertaken by State Governments and their Agencies who have during the Kharif Marketing Season, 2004-05, procured 160 lakh tonnes of paddy (upto 2.8.05). In addition, the FCI has also procured 14.4 lakh tonnes of paddy in some States in the same period.